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TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR BERDING

Mr. Berding read a proposed release on the recent Soviet note. They discussed certain changes. Sec. said of course we had a forewarning of this in his talk with Mikoyan. Sec. suggested saying that in the past the Soviets wanted to make a treaty with a divided Germany and so there had been an impasse. We had felt there should be a united Germany before making a peace treaty. We know perfectly well the Soviets want to make a treaty with the two Germanys. There is nothing new in the note. We do not know whether this note is a move toward breaking the impasse or not.



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